IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of:

Corinna Lohning et al. Group Art Unit: 1639

Serial No.: 10/658,752 Examiner: Amber Steele

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Title: NOVEL METHODS FOR DISPLAYING (POLY)PEPTIDES/PROTEINS ON BACTERIOPHAGE PARTICLES VIA DISULFIDE BONDS

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed December 02, 2008 in the captioned application. The response is due February 2, 2009, pursuant to the attached request for one month extension of time and payment of the requisite fees. Prior to entry of the claims set forth below, claims 35-70 were pending. Please charge any fees to deposit account 50-3840.

Applicant thanks Examiner Steele for the courtesies extended during a telephone interview with the undersigned and Paul Wiegel, attorney for applicant, on January 30, 2009. The claim amendments set forth below reflect the discussion during that interview, in which applicant indicated the intention to present at least one linking claim, that encompassed the subject matter of the claims designated Groups I-IV in the Office Action. Applicant agreed to preliminarily elect one Group for initial examination on the merits.

Please amend the application as set for below: